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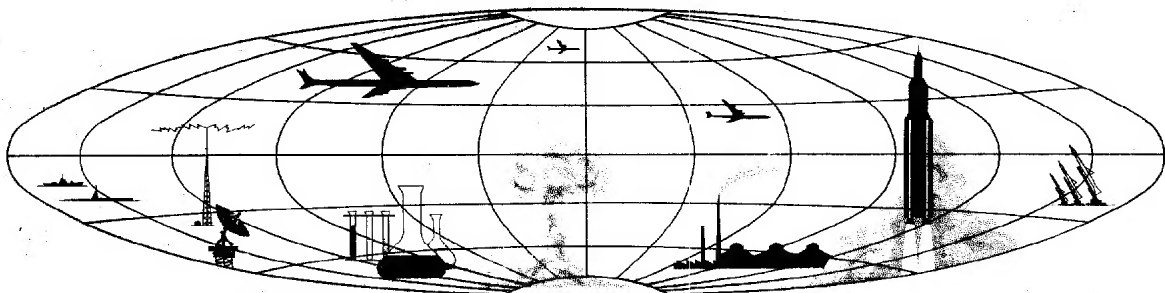


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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3572, DATED 24 APRIL 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

CIENFUEGOS SAM SITE 2202N 08024W

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS (3 WITH MISSILES IN POSITION), AT LEAST ONE MISSILE TRANSPORTER IN HOLD POSITION, AND A REVETTED GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE 2251N 08005W

SIX LAUNCHERS AND AN APPARENTLY OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.

25X1D

OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N 07929W

SITE CONTAINS 6 UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS, A CANVAS-COVERED HOLD POSITION, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

JIGUANI SAM SITE 2021N 07620W

SITE CONTAINS 6 UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 6 CANVAS-COVERED TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

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MANZANILLO SAM SITE 2018N 07706W

SITE CONTAINS 6 REVETTED LAUNCHERS (ONE WITH MISSILE),
3 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, ONE MISSILE TRAILER (WITH
UNCOVERED MISSILE), 5 EMPTY POSSIBLE MISSILE
TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

25X1A

CHAMBAS SAM SITE 2213N 07853W

SITE CONTAINS 6 UNRETTED LAUNCHERS (3 WITH
MISSILES), 6 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, ONE MISSILE TRAILER
WITH AN UNCOVERED MISSILE, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE
AREA.

25X1D

25X1A

ESMERALDA SAM SITE 2155N 07813W

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS (4 CANVAS-COVERED), 6
MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM SITE 1959N 07550W

SIX UNRETTED LAUNCHERS AND AT LEAST 4 CANVAS-COVERED
TRANSPORTERS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

25X1A

SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2003N 07553W

TWENTY-FIVE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 40 OTHER VEHICLES,
AND NUMEROUS MISSILE CANISTERS VISIBLE.

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DELEITE SAM SITE 2259N 08045W

25X1D

SITE CONTAINS 6 REVETTED LAUNCHERS, 2 MISSILE
TRANSPORTERS ADJACENT TO CANVAS-COVERED HOLD
POSITION, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE REVETMENT.

CIEGO DE AVILA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2152N 07844W

25X1D

AREA CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 25 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS
AND 10 OTHER VEHICLES.

MALDONADO SAM SITE 2012N 07528W

25X1D

SITE CONTAINS 6 REVETTED LAUNCHERS, 7 MISSILE
TRANSPORTERS IN HOLD POSITION (4 CANVAS-COVERED),
AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1A

CAMAGUEY AIRFIELD SAM SITE 2122N 07750W

25X1D

SITE CONTAINS 6 CANVAS-COVERED UNREVEITED LAUNCHERS,
6 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (5 CANVAS-COVERED), 7 TRACKED
PRIME MOVERS, APPROXIMATELY 20 CARGO-TYPE VEHICLES,
AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

-AIRFIELDS-

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CAMAGUEY INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2125N 07751W

25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- 2 FAGOT/FRESCO AND ONE PROBABLE
LIAISON-TYPE.

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HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

AIRCRAFT -- 9 PROBABLE FAGOT/FRESCO AND
ONE LIAISON/TYPE.

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ANTONIO MACEO AIRFIELD 1958N 07550W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE HOUND AND 5 LIAISON/TRAINER.
NORTH/SOUTH RUNWAY APPEARS UNSERVICEABLE.

25X1D

CORONEL PASCUAL AIRFIELD 2307N 08117W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

25X1D

JAIME GONZALES AIRFIELD 2209N 08025W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

25X1D

BAYAMO EAST AIRFIELD 2023N 07638W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 LIAISON/TYPE.

25X1D

TRINIDAD AIRFIELD 2147N 07959W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

25X1D

-PORTS-

BANES PORT 2055N 07542W

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED.

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25X1D THE 11 GABLE-ROOFED UNIDENTIFIED CRATES REMAIN.

[REDACTED]

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PUNTA ALEGRE PORT 2223N 07847W

25X1D NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

BARACOA PORT 2021N 07430W

25X1D NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

CIENFUEGOS PORT 2209N 08027W

25X1D VESSELS -- 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS, 3 PT, AND ONE POSSIBLE PC.

[REDACTED]

MANZANILLO PORT 2021N 07707W

25X1D VESSELS -- 3 LARGE FREIGHTERS (2 UNLOADING 2.5 NM NW OFFSHORE, ONE DOCKED AT CEIBA HUECA, APPROXIMATELY 13 NM SW). NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

25X1A

MOA PORT 2039N 07454W

25X1D NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W

VESSELS -- 3 LARGE FREIGHTERS, ONE TANKER, AND 2 COASTAL FREIGHTERS. NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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LA ISABELA PORT 2256N 08001W

25X1D VESSELS -- 3 LARGE FREIGHTERS AND ONE PC.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

25X1D NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

CARDENAS PORT 2302N 08112W

25X1D VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

CASILDA PORT 2145N 07959W

25X1D NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

JUCARO PORT 2137N 07851W

25X1D NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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MATANZAS PORT 2303N 08134W

25X1D VESSELS -- AT LEAST ONE LARGE FREIGHTER AND
4 UNIDENTIFIED VESSELS.
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-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

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GUANTANAMO AREA 1 2005N 07523W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

MANZANILLO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2017N 07706W

25X1D CAMP CONTAINS 19 TANKS/SP GUNS, 7 TRUCKS, 2
UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, AND 10 SMALL PIECES OF
UNIDENTIFIED EQUIPMENT.

CAMAGUEY AREA, MILITARY CAMP 1 2121N 07751W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
CAMP CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 85 VEHICLES AND 2
ELECTRONICS VANS.

ALTO CEDRO, MILITARY CAMP 2029N 07600W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
CAMP CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 80 TRUCKS AND 20 FA
PIECES AND 3 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES.

CAMAGUEY AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2126N 07753W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
CAMP CONTAINS 2 VEHICLES.

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EL CRISTO, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2007N 07546W

THIRTY-TWO FA PIECES AND 33 VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D

LAS MERCEDES, MILITARY CAMP 2006N 07700W

NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

LA JUTIA AREA MILITARY INSTALLATION 2155N 08016W

LOCATED 2.7 NM ESE OF LA JUTIA.
INSTALLATION CONTAINS 4 PAIRS OF REVETTED POSSIBLE
STORAGE BUILDINGS, ONE ADMINISTRATIVE-TYPE BUILDING,
A PAIR OF LARGE BUILDINGS PARTIALLY UNDER TREES AND
SEVERAL SMALLER BUILDINGS. NUMEROUS AUTOMATIC
WEAPONS POSITIONS AND TRENCHES ARE SCATTERED
THROUGHOUT THE AREA.
A SMALL ARMS RANGE IS LOCATED NW OF THE INSTALLATION.
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-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

25X1A

MAYARI ARRIBA, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2029N 07530W

INSTALLATION CONTAINS 11 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE
TRANSPORTERS, 5 CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES, AN UNDETERMINED
NUMBER OF CANVAS-COVERED CRATES, AND 69 OTHER
VEHICLES.
FIFTY TRUCKS AND A BARRACKS-TYPE BUILDING ARE VISIBLE
ON THE EAST END OF MAYARI ARRIBA AND A SMALL AIR STRIP
IS VISIBLE 2.5 NM SOUTH OF THE MILITARY INSTALLATION.

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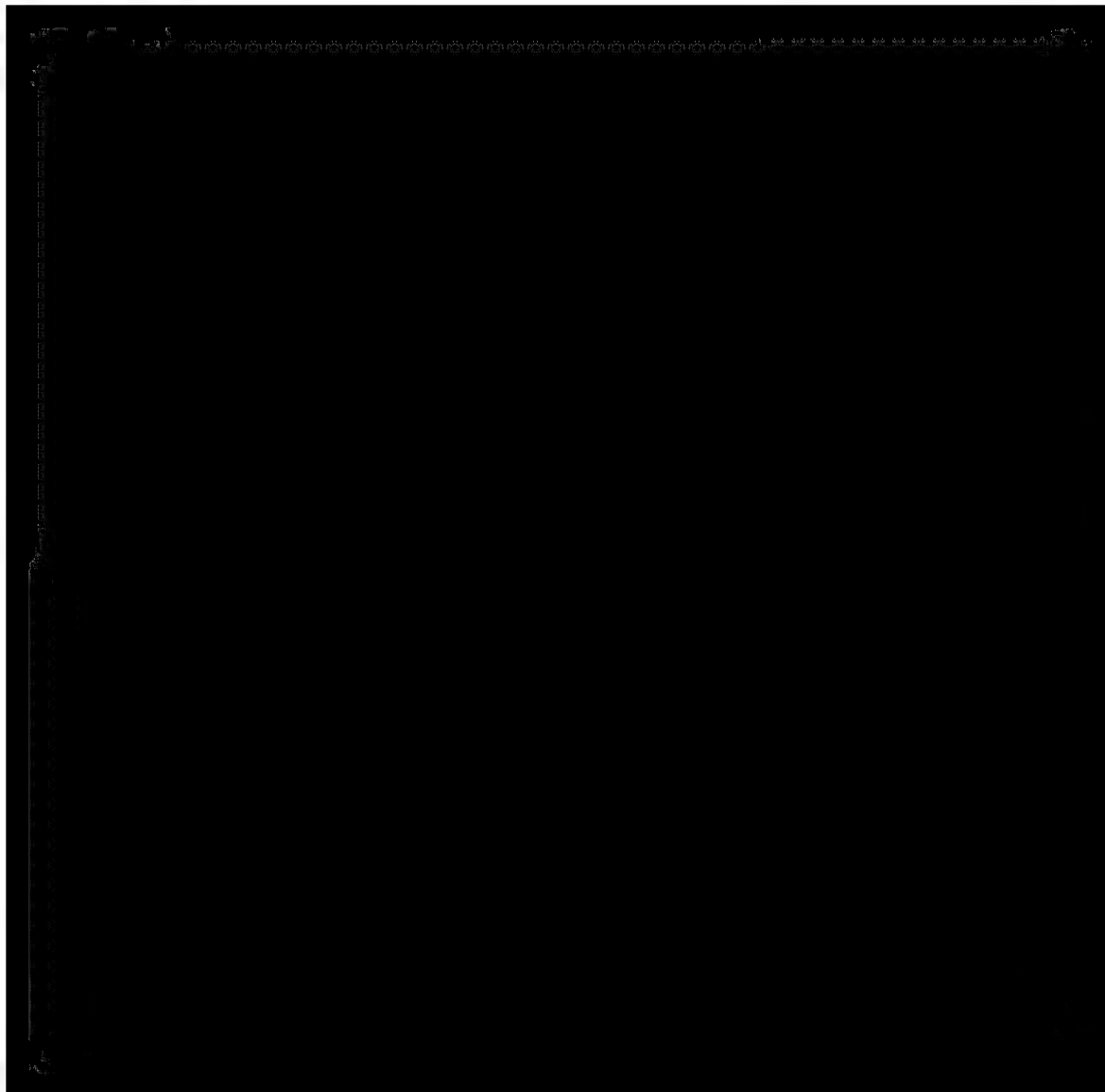
LA ROSITA AREA, STORAGE INSTALLATION 2208N 08004W

25X1D SIX REVETTED BUILDINGS AND 2 POSSIBLE UNIDENTIFIED
VEHICLES OBSERVED.



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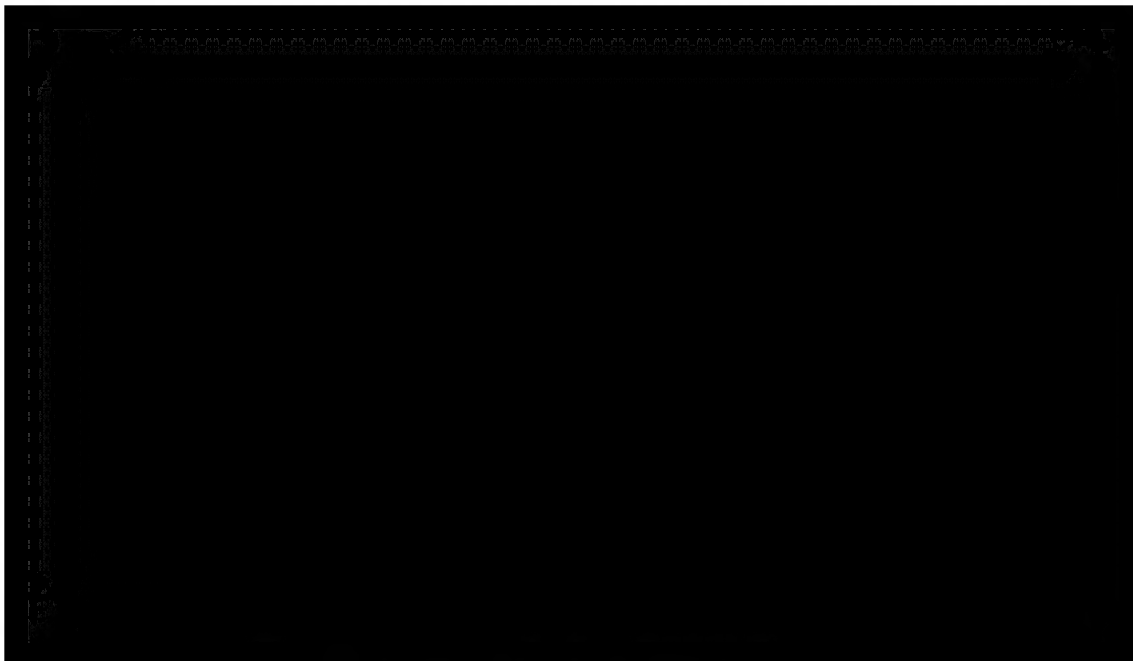


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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO CHANGE SINCE
LAST COVERAGE --

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2

REMEDIOS IRBM SITE

CHAPARRA SAM SITE

DELEITE ALTERNATE SAM SITE

CIFUENTES SAM ASSEMBLY AREA

LA SIERRA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE

LOS CANOS AIRFIELD

PRESTON AIRFIELD

SIBONEY LANDING BEACH

PLAYA YATERITAS LANDING BEACH

MATANZAS LANDING BEACH

VARADERO LANDING BEACH

CIENFUEGOS LANDING BEACH

MAR VERDE LANDING BEACH

ENSENADA COLORADO LANDING BEACH

NICARO LANDING BEACH

2243N 08001W

2239N 07951W

2225N 07935W

2107N 07626W

2301N 08044W

2236N 08005W

2156N 08019W

2004N 07509W

2044N 07539W

1957N 07542W

1958N 07457W

2301N 08126W

2308N 08118W

2202N 08036W

1957N 07557W

2202N 08025W

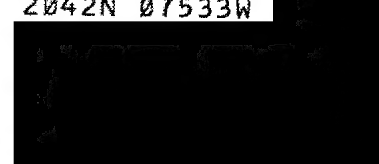
2042N 07533W

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THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT
NOT INTERPRETED --

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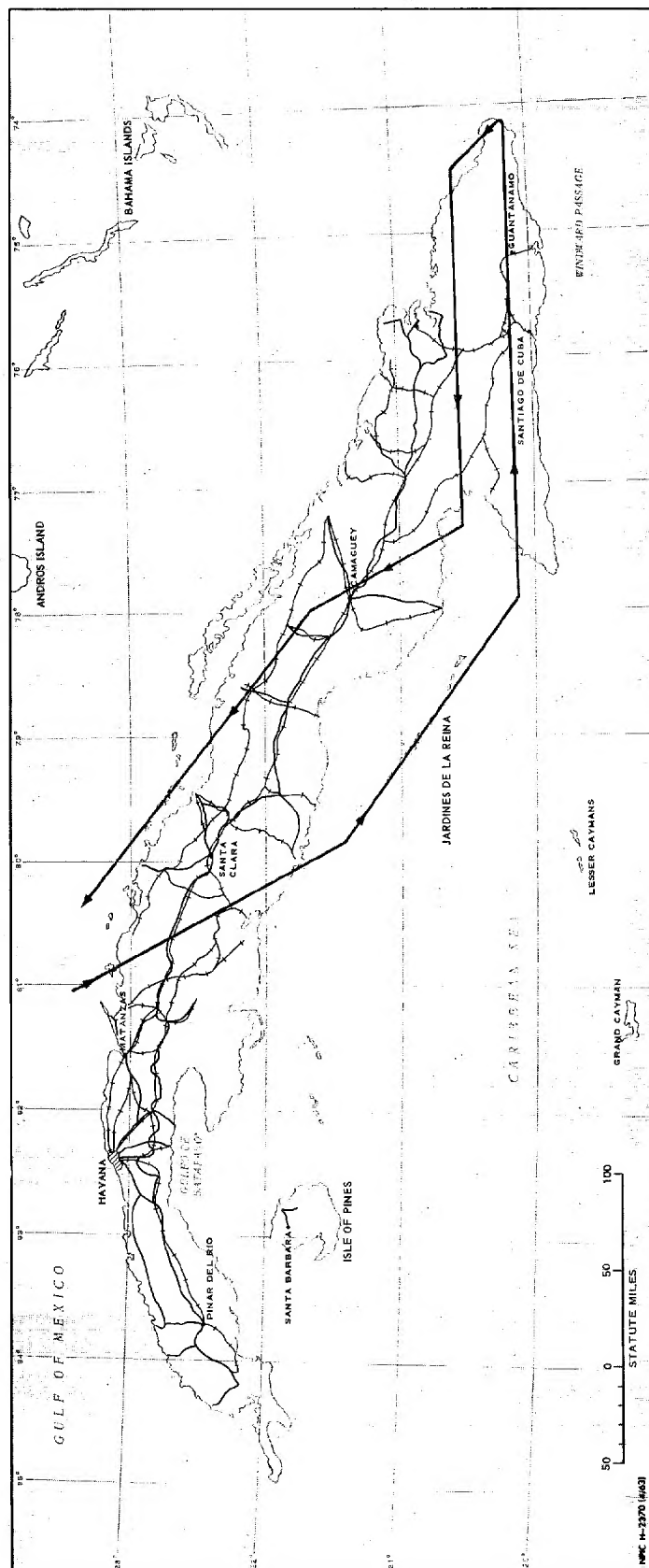
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MATANZAS SAM SITE	2301N 08129W
VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2104N 07700W
HOLGUIN SAM SITE	2052N 07627W
BANES CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2058N 07538W
CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD	2229N 07955W
PUERTO PADRE PORT	2113N 07632W
HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2053N 07614W
EL JUCARO, MILITARY AREA	2051N 07543W
REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2227N 07934W
LIMONAR AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2256N 08124W
VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS, MILITARY CAMP	2054N 07655W

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